

SUPPLEMENT.

Divided into Districts.

To facilitate the taking of the Eleventh Census the Secretary of the Interior has divided the country into districts, each in charge of a supervisor. Oregon has two apportioned as follows:

First District—Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Lane, Linn, Marion, Multnomah, Polk, Tillamook, Washington and Yamhill counties.

Second District—Baker, Crook, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Klamath, Lake, Malheur, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa and Wasco counties.

Washington—Two districts:

First District—Chelan, Clallam, Clarke, Cowlitz, Island, Jefferson, King, Kitsap, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, Pierce, San Juan, Skagit, Shastana, Snohomish, Thurston, Wahkiakum and Whatcom counties.

Second District—Adams, Asotin, Columbia, Douglas, Franklin, Garfield, Kittitas, Klickitat, Lincoln, Okanogan, Spokane, Stevens, Walla Walla, Whitman and Yakima counties.

Important Land Office Decision.

George Chandler, assistant secretary of the interior, has ruled that homesteaders who have pre-empted a smaller number of acres than they are allowed under the law may make a second entry, to complete the homestead, of land adjoining before he has acquired full title to the first tract. The case comes from the land office of Vancouver, Wash. The former land commissioner canceled the adjoining farm homestead entry of J. B. Cannon to land in the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section 8, Township 15, Range 11, because he had one homestead entry to land adjoining. Mr. Chandler reverses this decision. He says it was the evident intention of congress that the "ownership" of the land should be vested in the entryman as soon as he has formally complied with the law's requirements. The "ownership" does not necessarily await the complete investment of title.

The North Dakota prohibitory law, the text of which has just been printed, is very long and is one of the most vigorous on record. The penalty for a first offense is a fine of from \$200 to \$1,000, and an imprisonment for from ninety days to one year. Notwithstanding the rigorous enactments, "blind pigs" are said to be numerous, which the blizzard-stricken granger seeks when he can escape the watchful eye of an ever vigilant wife.

The Prineville Review says the loss of stock in Crook county from the effects of the present storm will be heavy, and stockmen must learn a lesson from experience, and provide feed for hard winters. It says there is enough tillable land in the county to raise sufficient feed for all the stock owned there, if it were cultivated, and this the stockmen must do if they would guard against such losses as they will sustain this winter.

Five Union county farmers have butchered 450 hogs this winter that averaged 317 pounds. At 4 cents the pork would be worth \$5700. If there was more of this practiced in Oregon, in a few years there would not be many incumbrances on the farms of this state.

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